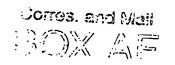
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This communication is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 7, 2005 (Paper No. 120105). The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expires on March 7, 2006.

The following remarks are made for the Examiner's consideration.

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